COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Wednesday, the *21st of March 1934.*
8th of Meenam 1109.

The House met at half-past eleven of the clock with C. G. Herbert Esq., I. C. S., the Diwan President, in the Chair. Messrs. K. G. Nayar, T. K. Nayar, A. I. Mani, K. Mohamed Seethi, I. N. Menon, P.V. Parameswaran Namboodiri, Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan, P. V. Subramania Ayyar and Thomas Manjuran were absent.

Questions and Answers.

Prices of paddy, cocoanut, etc.

306. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to enquire and state —

(a) the prices of paddy, cocoanut, arecanut and pepper at each Taluk Head quarters at the end of each quarter in 1933;

(b) the price of the above produces in the rural parts in each Taluk at the aforesaid times;

(c) whether the prices at the Taluk Head quarters of the above produces were not a little higher than the prices in the village parts of the Taluks;

(d) what percentage will be the difference on an average between the prices of the above produces in Taluk quarters and village parts in the Taluks?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—(a) and (b) Please see statement appended. (*Appendix I*).

(c) Yes; in the majority of cases.

(d) Please see statement appended (*Appendix I.*)

Vernacularisation of teaching of non-language subjects.

307. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to inform—

(a) whether vernacularisation of teaching of non-language subjects in Upper Secondary Department was once adopted or experimented in the Girls' High School, Kunnamkulam;

(b) what opinion was expressed by the Headmistress about this system or experiment;

(c) whether vernacularisation of teaching of non-language subjects in Upper Secondary Department is now being followed in the above school; and if not,

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APPENDIX I.

Statement showing the prices of several commodities at Taluk Head-quarters and Rural parts.

Particulars of Commodities	Prevailing prices at the end of each quarter in 1933								Comparison of prices at head-quarters with those in rural parts	Percentage of difference
	Taluk Head-quarters				Rural parts					
	First quarter	Second quarter	Third quarter	Fourth quarter	First quarter	Second quarter	Third quarter	Fourth quarter		
Cochin-Kanayannur Taluk.									Prices higher in Taluk Head-quarters	
1. Paddy (per para)	... 7 6	... 7 3	.. 6 6	.. 6 9	... 7	.. 6 9	.. 6 3	.. 6 6		6 %
2. Cocoanut (per 100)	2 11 4	2 9 8	2 4 8	2 1 4	2 9 8	2 8 0	2 3 0	1 15 8	do	4·5 %
3. Arecanut (per 1000)	illegible	illegible	illegible	illegible	illegible	illegible	illegible	illegible	do	illegible
4. Pepper (per candy)	115	167 8 ...	140	127 8 ..	105	155	130	115 8 ..	do	9 %
Mukundapuram Taluk.										
1. Paddy (per para)	... 5 6	... 5 9	... 6 ..	... 6 ...	... 5 ..	... 5 3	.. 5 6	.. 5 6	do	Between 8 to 12 per cent
2. Cocoanut (per 100)	3 2 ...	2 12 ..	2	1 14 ...	2 14 ..	2 8 ..	1 14 ...	1 12 ..	do	
3. Arecanut (per thulam	2 4 ..	... .	2 8 ...	2 2 ..	2 ..	.. ..	2 4 ...	1 14 ..	do	
4. Pepper do	1 2 ...	... .	... .	1 6 ..	1	.. ..	... .	1 2 ..	do	
Trichur Taluk.										
1. Paddy (per para)	... 6 ...	... 6 3	.. 5 5	.. 6 ..	0 5 6	.. 3	... 5 6	.. 5 6	Higher	Ranges between 6% & 16%
2. Cocoanut (per 100)	4	3 8 ...	2 12 ..	2 8 ..	2 12 ..	2 8 ..	2 4 ...	2	do	
3. Aracanut (per thulam)	9	9 8 ...	9 8 ...	8	10	10	10	10	no	
4. Pepper do	5	5	4 4 ...	4 4 ..	4 4 ..	4 4 ..	4 2 ...	4 4 ..	Higher	
Talappalli Taluk.										Ranges between 5 & 16 %
1. Paddy (per para)	... 5 6	... 5 9	.. 6 ..	.. 6 ..	... 5 ..	.. 5 6	... 5 6	... 5 9	do	

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APPENDIX I—(*cont.*)

Particulars of Commodities	Prevailing prices at the end of each quarter in 1933 — Taluk Head-quarters: First quarter	Second quarter	Third quarter	Fourth quarter	Rural parts: First quarter	Second quarter	Third quarter	Fourth quarter	Comparison of prices at head-quarters with those in rural parts	Percentage of difference
Talappalli Taluk.—(cont.)										
2. Cocoanut (per 100)	2 12 ...	2 12 ..	2 12 ..	2 8 ..	2 8 ..	2 8 ...	2 8 ...	2 4 ...	Higher	Ranges
3. Arecanut (per thulam)	8	10	9	11	7 8 ...	9	8 4 ...	10	do	between
4. Pepper do	8	8	7 12 ...	8	7 4 ..	7 12 ..	7 4 ...	7 8 ...	do	5 & 16%
Chittur Taluk.										
1. Paddy (per para)	... 7 ..	... 7 ...	... 6 ..	... 6 ..	7 .. .	7	6	5 9 ..	Higher	4 %
2. Cocoanut (per 100)	4 8 ..	4	4	3 ...	3	3 4 ...	2 12 ..	2 8 ..	do	35 %
3. Arecanut (per palam) Rs. 10 in weight	0 1 9	0 1 9	0 1 3	0 1 0	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 1 6	0 1 3	no	17% decrese
4. Arecanut (per 1000)	2 8 0	2 8 0	2 8 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 8 0	No.	17 % decrease
Cranganur Taluk.										
1. Paddy (per para)	0 5 6	0 5 6	0 5 6	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	Higher	10 %
2. Cocoanut (per 100)	2 2 0	2 2 0	1 12 0	1 12 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	1 12 0	1 12 0	do	3 %
3. Arecanut (per 100)	0 6 0	0 6 0	0 6 0	0 6 0	0 5 0	0 5 0	0 4 0	0 4 6	do	20 %
4. Pepper (per candy)	120 0 0	120 0 0	120 0 0	120 0 0	120 0 0	120 0 0	120 0 0	120 0 0	prices same	equal